REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement dated December 10, 2009, the Examiner has restricted the claims to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- Claims 48-68, drawn to computer method and computer, classified in class 705, subclass 1.
- Claim 69, drawn to a system, classified in class 705, subclass 37.

Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, claims 48-68. Applicants respectfully withdraw claim 69 (Group II) without prejudice or disclaimer, and reserve the right to reintroduce it in one or more Divisional applications at a later date.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at (408) 278-4048 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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